Copy.

Chicago, Ill., April 16, 1888.

To C. E. & F. A. E. Div. No. ----

The C., B. & Q. have only got about 1-2 of the men prior to the strike. They want about 4 to 5 hundred more engineers. We have decided to call on you to furnish one or two men from your Division. We will ask the same of all Divisions throughout the country to come and apply for situations on the "Q." under an assumed name, and, as soon a s they get to work, to correspond with John Sowers, National Hotel, Chicago, for instructions. The object is to disable engines in every way they can, and, on a given day, to quit work in a body, after receiving instructions from us. The Company is on their last leg and by this means we propose to take the other. We don't want any of them to come here, but to make application at the following points Aurora, Galesburg, Burlington, Creston, Plattsmouth, Lincoln & McCook. Be very careful who you select to come -- men that don't talk too much or who are in the habit of drinking. Supply them with plenty of Sal soda and Emrey. Have them get leave of absence for 30 or more days. P. S. Please don't let this outside except within yourselves & those you select to come. Please answer on receipt of this.

Yours fraternally,

(Signed. S. E. HOGE, Ch'n G. G. C.

Room 34, Grand Pacific Hotel, Chicago.

New York, June 12, 1888.

H. B. Stone, Esq.,

Genl. Manager, C., B.& Q.R.R.,

Chicago, Ills.,

Sir:

Our informants further report as follows:

Sunday, June 10, 1888.

No. 1 reports: 'This morning I met Grand Master Sargent in his room. I reverted to the circulars sent out by Committees and Divisions on the line of the C., B.& Q. I made a bold dash for confirmation of Sinclair's story and mentioned that particular circular sent out by Hoge and his committee suggesting that men be sent to the C., B.& Q. to get work and that they destroy engines and other property. He seemed for a moment stunned, then said, 'Did you see one of those circulars?' I replied, 'I have seen so many that I don't remember whether I saw that one or not or only heard of it; I think, though, I only heard of it.' He mused a moment and then slowly said, 'Well, it is a fact; Hoge and his committee did get up and send out such a circular and it was the most d----d infamous thing that ever was perpetrated. It was done without the knowledge of either Arthur or myself and only by an accident was it discovered by Arthur, who at once took heroic measures to stop them. I believe only a very few were got off before we stopped them; and we are trembling lest the C., B.& Q. should get hold of one of them; it would create a tremendous feeling against us and would be a terrible weapon in their hands.'

'I asked carelessly if he was only on a visit or had some special business on hand. He said his business was to enlighten his Order throughout this section on the true state of affairs on the C., B.& Q.; that they had done all the laws of the order required for the strikers; had drained their treasuries and pockets almost to the bottom dollar; had advised the strikers that there was not a ray of hope of a settlement with the C., B.& Q.; and that a further prolongation of the struggle would lead to irreparable disaster to both orders; and that the strike should be called off at once; that he had been met with contumely and insult; been called coward and declared unfit to be the head of the order, etc., by the strikers' committee; that he had determined to enlighten the order on the true condition of affairs as a matter of duty; and then, if a suicidal course was still persisted in, he would have nothing to reproach himself with; he was going to Jersey City this p.m.; to Phillipsburgh to-morrow; Philadelphia next day; and so on until he reached either the end of the strike or his ability to keep up.

'Sargent had promised to be present at a recess meeting of Division 105 at 11 o'clock, and we went there together. A recess be-

ing declared Sargent and a committee of firemen with us were admitted. Sargent took the stand and spoke on the situation for one and three quarters hours. He went over all the ground that he had given me, only he went into details; told about the boycott on the C.,B.& Q. cars; how one of the most violent of the local committees the day after the boycott was ordered went to the Genl. Manager on their road and offered to handle (and did handle) all cars that came to them without regard to what road they came from or belonged to; how when the Sub Gr. Comm. had assembled in Chicago and had agreed that no aggressive measures should be inaugurated against any of their roads, the committee from the A.,T.& S.F. road went home and without an hour's notice ordered a strike on that system without even notifying Grand Chief Arthur. How in the beginning of the strike the brakemen had come forward and offered to go out in order to help the engineers and were repulsed and told, 'We don't want you nor your help.' How, when the strike was gone under, the switchmen were solicited to assist by striking and did strike, the brakemen were in the most humble way begged to take a hand, and they answered, 'No, we offered to help you in the start and you refused our offer, and now you and we both see you are licked and you can stay licked for all we care.' He told how a committee of engineers sneaked off to Terre Haute unknown to himself or Arthur and by misrepresentations to Mr. Debbs brought him to Chicago to use his influence as a K. of L. to induce the switchmen and brakemen to strike; that Debbs, when he found he had been lied to, went back, and the Committee of Engineers finally got the switchmen out, and thereby caused many of them to lose their jobs. He wound up by saying there was not a shadow of hope for the men to win the strike; that Arthur told them in the start if the strike lasted forty-eight hours the men would lose; that the order was not in a condition to go into a strike. Sargent continued, 'I told our men and yours that the whole labor organization of the country were down on the B.L.E., and would be only too glad for an opportunity to down them; and we found it to be so; engineers and firemen came there and we met them and offered to buy them off; we met with the response, we don't want your money; we have left good jobs to come here and we mean to stay. One engineer told me he had come from California and left a better job than the C.,B. & Q. could give him; the B.L.E. had injured him and he would go anywhere and take an engine to help down the ---- -- -------, was a man without family ties of any kind and could afford to spend his natural life in getting even. While we bought off some who came to scab we had better not done so; they would have helped us more on the road by their habits or incompetency. Seven days after the strike was declared on we received a proposition from the C.,B.& Q. that if the strike was raised, 75 per cent of the men would be taken back and the remainder as fast as places could be made for them; and as good wages paid as was paid by any road running out of Chicago. This pleased Arthur and myself, as we saw in it a way out of a bad hole; we called the committee together and laid it before them and urged its acceptance; we were met with a contemptuous no, never, you are cowards to suggest such a thing to us; we will bring Stone and his company on their knees to us.'

'Sargent was loudly applauded during and at the end of his speech

by thos present, the meeting being a fairly large one.

'There is to be a Union meeting of the two orders in New York on Sunday, 24th inst., at which Arthur and Sargent will be present. It is called for the purpose of hearing from them a statement of the C.B & Q. strike. At that meeting I have no doubt the fire eaters of Tammany Hall meeting will eat humble pie and offer a resolution something like this, Resolved, that our brothers on the C.B.& Q. have manifested their loyalty to our order and made a gallant fight in their strike against a mercenary and tyrranical corporation in endeavoring to protect the rights of labor, etc., etc., for which they are deserving of the eternal gratitude and thanks of all the world (and the rest of mankind), and have done all that men could do, yet we think a further prolongation of the unequal struggle by labor against capital would be unwise and productive of no good results, and therefore we recommend that the strike now in force on the C.,B.& Q. be declared off, etc.

'If something like the above is not offered, I miss my guess. I base my prediction on what I have heard since the meeting from some of those who were present and heard Sargent.

'Sargent will be in New York on Thursday, 20th inst., and remain until after the meeting. His purpose in coming so soon is to get amongst the men of both orders and prepare them for what they will hear at the meeting; in other words to mould an opinion consonant with his own on the situation.

'I left Sargent on his way to Jersey City to visit Lodge No. 3, B.L.F.

'I do not think it necessary to go any further in this matter at present. I will have opportunities of talking with nearly all those who heard Mr. Sargent and learning their opinions. What they have heard will be repeated within 24 hours to the majority of the two orders within a radius of 500 miles of New York. It will be carried from one to another. When Sargent returns to New York he will be able to tell how he and his statements were received by the various bodies whom he meets, and I will be able to post him as to the sentiments around here.'

No. 2 reports: 'In his speech before Division 105 to-day, Mr. Sargent said: 'We were beaten 48 hours after we struck, and to-day, for prolonging the strike as we have, we can thank the Switchmen's Union, for if it had not been for that body both the Brotherhoods would have been no more through the western countries. We have not the shadow of a chance to win this strike, for we have two of the hardest men to fight that Arthur and I have ever had occasion to meet, viz., Stone and Perkins. And the only thing that is left for us to do is to end the strike and let as many men go back on the C.B.& Q. as Stone will receive; and then it will be for us to co-operate with the conductors, switchmen and brakemen, and inside of a year we will be prepared to pay back Mr. Stone in his own coin. This is the sentiment of Chief Arthur and myself and unless we do this we will never accomplish anything. And you must remember that we had the best talented men of this country to fight, Perkins and Stone, and the shrewdest of all the Pinkerton men, who were keeping Mr. Stone better posted on all matters than we could ourselves. How they did this is a mystery to Arthur and me. In this connection let me tell you

that we are lame in not having a detective force of our own; then your Grand Officers could do work which they are unable to do now. We have been taught many a lesson through this strike. It is a fact that the C., B.& Q. have spent six millions of dollars and they are ready to spend six millions more before they give into our Orders. Let me tell you, moreover, that the C.B.& Q. have comptent engineers and most of them are men who have left good jobs at home to take revenge on the Brotherhood. But, as I have said, Let us end this strike and inside of a year we will be stronger on the C.B.& Q. than we ever were, and then we can give Stone a good fight. Your men are receiving letters from the west saying we will win this fight, but I repeat that it cannot be done; we are beaten in one sense of the word but the men are still firm. Nevertheless, the Co. is determined to stick it out.'

'In crossing to Jersey City with Sargent he said, 'We will be lucky if any of our men ever get back on the C.B.& Q.. Stone is no fool if he is a young man and the only thing we can do is to give up the fight until we reorganize with all labor unions; then you will see that biggest strike that has yet occurred. The engineers and firemen must join hands and co-operate with the switchmen, conductors and brakemen. And each and every division must have a secret man, who is to be known only to the Grievance Committee; then we are organized. Of course , the men are hanging on thinking that Stone will make some compromise, but I know that Stone will never give in.'

Yours respectfully,

Chicago, August 10th. 1888.

Dear Sir.,

Following you will please find report of operative No. 2.

Wednesday, August 8th. 1888.

To day I arrived in Chicago at 7:50 a.m. met Asst. Supt. "J. C. McG." at 119 Fifth Ave., and after consulting with him I went to the National Hotel, where I met Hoge and Thomas.

In conversation, Hoge said, "You must have been quite sick since I saw you last." I said, "Yes, but since I have been West I have been improving." He said, "You had better go to St. Louis with us to night we are going to hold a meeting which Chief Arthur called for the 9th. of this month. If you want to go I will get you transportation." I said, "All right I will go." Just then Wm. Bolster from Division 46 of the New York Central system came along, whom I knew personally he introduced me to Thomas and Hoge, the latter said, "I have the honor to know brother (Wafer) Thomas said," There will be no one admitted in the meeting only the Chairmen of the Grievance Committee of each system." Hoge said, "Arthur is too old for us men, and we propose to do something at the St. Louis meeting one way or the other."
Bolster said, "Andy come along and let you and I take a walk." We then started and went to McCoy's Restaurant where we had dinner, after which we went to several parts of the town. In conversation he said, "I tell you I am going to make a hard fight for Arthur, Hoge is

not to be trusted no longer after what I heard in New York just before I left. Now I understand it is some trick in those Sal-Soda letters issued by Hoge,and he is connected with the Dynamite business;if that is the case we must do something to avoid our distinction. I am Chief of Division of 46,and a General Chairman,and I am in for Arthur every time,for I used to fire for Arthur on the New York Central,and a better man never lived.

We went to the National Hotel where I was introduced to Mr. You the Chairman of Division No. 12 on the Nickel Plate road,James Dennison Division 36,of Newark Ohio B. & O. R. R. Farley,Division 115 Wisconsin,Lannimeire,Division 239 Huston Texas,Green,Division 15 Ill. Central. We all went in the saloon at McCoy's Hotel and had several drinks and cigars.

In conversation,Mr. You said to Bolster and I,"Now about Hoge being connected with the Dynamite business we suspect him,but the Sal-Soda letter that is certain." Bolster said,"When I received that letter from Hoge I did not show it to the division but sent it to Arthur but I did not then believe it was genuine. " You said,"It was,I done the same thing I sent it to Arthur and there is where Arthur got "on to it",but now Hoge,Thomas and Bauereisen are frightened to death and they are trying everything in their power to bring the strike to a settlement. Hoge daid he does not want to go back on the "O.",but let me tell you when Hoge and Thomas tries to down Arthur by saying he is too old they are going to get left. I am posted in all their movements and if I dare to say some certain thing it would hurt Hoge and his gang. I do not want this repeated as they would know who it came from as Hoge knows that I know all about this deal. There are only

three of us and let it not go any further." Just then Hoge came along and said to me, "I have a pass for thirteen of the men and go along with us."

At 8 p.m. Bolster, You, Dennison Green and I started for the Wabash St. Louis & P. R. R. depot and when we got there we met Farley who said, that Hoge had gone by the Alton route. I said, "It is too late to catch him now, so I will go on this train."

Every man seems to have lost faith in Hoge and are standing firm for Arthur. As we were all very much fatigued we retired very early.

Yours respectfully,

A. C.

[illegible],August 11th. [illegible].

Dear Sir,

Referring you will please find report of [illegible].

Thursday, August 9th. [illegible].

To say,I arrived in St.Louis at 7:[illegible] and in company [illegible] with Mr. Fox,he said,"There is only two questions to be decided at this meeting and that is,whether we shall [illegible] boycott,if we put on a boycott will help our [illegible] if we do not put on a boycott it will be a question I can not say,as it is my candid opinion that the [illegible] officials will never give in. It is well known to most some of the [illegible] men,that the C. J. & L. are loosing money,and they can keep on loosing for five years to come."

We all went to the Lindell House,then to the hall at 6th. St., & Market St.,and Chief Arthur would not allow any one to act as Chairman of the committee. Bolster came to Art Wilson,here is brother Mr. Fox and as I understand he will not be present. Arthur said," Fine,I have a telegram from Levi Gibb stating he could not come,therefore,brother Mr. W can be admitted in the meeting." [illegible] of us stayed out in the back room and the meeting opened.

About 1:15 p.m. they adjourned,and Bolster and Art came out together,and Bolster beckoned to me and we walked to the Hotel. Arthur said,"It will be all right,you can be admitted this afternoon,but you can thank my best friend Bolster and I also hear he is your personal friend." Bolster said,"That's what we are."

At 3 p.m. the meeting opened,and Arthur said in his speech,"Now

brothers you must remember we cannot put a boycott on the road, but each and every one of you can go home and tell your Master Mechanic that you quit and there is no law to compel you to work, but in my opinion I will say M. C. Stone will never give in to the men if it takes five years longer he will never give in,so before you put this resolution which you have drafted this morning in effect,you had better be careful and remember,when you call on P. M. Arthur to do anything unlawful work,I say count P. M. Arthur out. I will do all in my power in an honorable way,but I will not be used in any way to be sent to the Penitentiary,and bear that in mind." Hoge said, "The reason I did not call this meeting in Chicago,was because there was so many in the Lynn its business it was not safe for us to meet in Chicago." Arthur said," You are right Hoge,I can say no more here,but in my past experience with its Pinkerton men has taught me to be more careful,but let me tell you,that the Pinkerton has men at Chicago,Detroit,Kansas,St.Louis,and all points that are not who are in our Brotherhood,but I am on their track,and before many months I will have their names and they shall be exposed to you all. I had a certain man come and tell me all this,and that any knew what he was talking about."

The question then came up about who desired the boycott or who declared the strike off. At one time,Bolster came near carrying the motion to declare the strike off,but when Kennedy got up and said,"We must win this strike or die,several others got up and followed,so at 6:30 p.m. the resolutions were just where they stood in the morning and the meeting adjourned until 9 A.M. to-morrow.

Arthur,Bolster,Hoge,and I had a long conversation at the Hotel in Chicago. Arthur said,"We must take some means to down that radical ele-

ement tomorrow,and if we do not succeed,then this meeting will not a-
mount to much. I tell you boys the "O." will never give in,and
my word."

Friday,August 10th. 1900.

To day in St. Louis,

I met Dolstar,Yon,Hoge and Sargent,and in conver-
sation Hoge said,"We will have to scan the radical element of the West
and when all the work is done in to-day's meeting we will spring on
the boys this:that a committee of five be appointed composed of del-
egates of different roads to go to see H. H. Stone and Martin's to
try and make some kind of a settlement." We all agreed to stand by
Hoge and Sargent.

The meeting opened at 9:00 a.m. and Martin,Chairman of the
"O." system spoke on the subject of the boycott,then Thomas followed
until the meeting was over which was at 12:00 p.m. when they adjourn-
ed until 2 p.m.

At 2:00 p.m. the meeting opened and the same proceedings
went on until 6 p.m. when the vote was taken on the resolution:-first
that the Chairman of the Grievance Committee of each division would
use their influence on each of their roads to try and divert travel
to go on the O. & M. R. R. and the Engineers would be paid $50.00
per month from August 1st. until the convention in October and each an
every Engineer on the "O." system to look elsewhere for work.
Second:that the boycott will be abolished until the next convention
Third:-that each committee when they get home,to encourage every mem-
ber to pay as much as they can to the "O." boys assessment until the
October Convention. The vote all voted on and passed accordingly.

Then came the question of Federation with the Mr. men. It was referred to the October Convention. Barnett then said,"Now before I go I must tell you we understand,now,I believe if you will appoint a Committee of five men from different states to see Mr. Stone, I think there will be some good result come from it. However,every Manager through the United States are looking for this meeting and are going to Mr. Stone we can have some kind of a settlement. This committee is supposed to act with you;but as we all know this meeting is not official,but the public think it is and they have not been informed." Thomas urged the same question on the men. Thomas said," Stone and the rest of the Managers do think we are going to boycott all the roads in the United States and I think it will have an effect and we want to try and have any kind of settlement that will be honorable to the B. of L. F. & E." Arthur said,"We are beat,now I say we have no one but the B. of L. E. to blame for the same and if you had taken my advice we would have been better off."

Hogg took the ticket and told the Committee on the "L." road to make a motion to choose five men to go and talk to General Manager Stone. My wife was there. Stone's proposition,is one I do not,and it is at some time great hurt to private property.

When the meeting adjourned and the B. of L. E. men and the five men who were to be selected as a committee to wait on Mr. Stone,met in front of the Lexington House at 7 P. M.

Now,Masters and I went for a walk and Yon said,"We decided that should we get back and saved the lives and the B. of L. E.; if we had not we thought we would all have been in----. Then we'll have to tell you all about the strike to you when I see you." Yon is one of the surviving board of the "B. & O."

After supper,we went and listened a talkie on the Wabash room ;Mal ster,Green,You,Harley,Bonnie and I . This Committee will give Mr. Stone a "Luff" . This last outing is not legal and no action can be taken which can avoid the Committee of the "C." may do undo if they see fit.

In connection with Mr. Thomas he said,"After an hour from the Committee,if not satisfactory we will call a meeting in Prince Edward,and he will then put it to the vote."

Most of the boys want him out. The radical element are the only ones who are "Rah,rah."

Yours respectfully,

A. C.

Chicago, August 12th.,1888

Dear Sir:--

Following you will please find report of Operative No. 2

Saturday, August 11th.,1888

To-day in St. Louis

The following Chairman were present:

S. E. Hoge, J. A. Bauereisen, A. J. You, M. Connors, W. S. Green, Wm. Bolster, J. H. Murphy, P. Clark, V. Dillon, S. E. Hopkins, J. H. Fitzgerald, B. W. Vedder, J. H. Pilkington, R. Chase, H. E. Dexlin, M. W. Cadle, John Boughan, L. S. Riggs, E. P. McDonald, P. L. Bixler, F. D. Fraser, L. M. Howe, W. F. Gould, H. R. Green, A. W. Logan, W. Huskey, J. W. Rice, J. Hudson, J. T. Hayes, J. H. McAlexander, Wm Mack, F. Pinlott, C. H. Salmons, C. E. Phelps, A. W. Kimball, W. R. Harvey, James Dennison F. M. Dunne, James Farley, C. Kennedy, C.B. Dean, J. W. Welsh, C. Thomas, Chas. Pridieu, R. Lacy, Wilson Somerville, F. P. Clark and No. 2.

In conversation with Chief Engineer of Division No. 79, he said; 'If youmen from the East knew what we done with the strike, you would be surprised and if all of us strikers had out just dues we would all be in States Prison. Some of the 'scabs. we knocked out went away with one ear, some without a nose, and others with broken arms and legs. Talking about knocking them out, well we done so, and as I said, if we were known, we would all be in the Penitentiary.'

In conversation with A. J. You, Chairman of the Advisory Board of the 'Q' system, he said; ' if it had not been for me, the Brotherhood would have been to h--- and I saved it by a scheme; Hoge tried to bring me into the scheme he had, but I saw through it and I beat him at his own game. I tell you, Hoge was not to be trusted and he is not to be trusted at the present time, and I know it. I had it arranged with my men on the Nickel Plate Road that they should not strike unless they got orders from me and my name signed to it and that where the trouble is between Sargent and I, and the Switchmen accuse me of betraying them, but I tell you if I had not have been the Chairman of that Committee and acted the way I did, every Road would have been tied up and I knew what I was doing when I adjourned the meeting of the Committee of the Advisory Board. Then Hoge and Monhan came to me and wanted to know what in h--- I was doing by not ordering my men out and I told them it was uncalled for and so it was. Arthur and I had a consultation together and we knew the radical element were going to ruin us, if we were going to let them have their own way. Yes, Hoge and several others are scared out of their boots to-day and I will give them credit for trying to make a settlement with the 'Q' Officials; let them call a meeting in Kansas or anywhere else, some of these kickers will find themselves in a bad fix. I am satisfied the 'Q' boys will try and make trouble yet and they are not satisfied with out decision at St. Louis, but I will tell you, H. B. Stone will never give in and the boys are beat and they know it, H. B. Stone is no fool.

This Committee who is going to see Mr. Stone may have an effect to settle the strike, but mark my words, Mr. Stone will settle it to

suit himself and not otherwise.

Yours respectfully,

K. B.

Chicago, August 15th.,1888

Dear Sir:--

Following you will please find report of Operative No. 2.

Saturday, August 11th.,1888

To-day in Chicago

I arrived in Chicago with Green, Bolster, You and Dennison at 7.20 A. M. I could not shake the boys easily until 10 A. M. I then sent a message to Asst. Supt. J. C. McG.,we met at the Briggs House, then we met at 119 5th. Ave. After consultation I met Hurley, Assistant to Hoge while he is away at the National Hotel. In conversation he said; 'Hanrahan will be here to-morrow and I have heard so much about you through J. J. Hanrahan,I am sure he would like to meet you;here is a telegram I just received from him.' It read as follows: 'meet me at Englewood, I have something important to tell you.' He then said, 'you are not in a hurry to go away, remain with us a few days.' I said, 'I have to go to Texas,also to Muskegon to see some of my folks before I return home. He then asked me how the meeting had turned out, I said Hoge will explain all that to you,I am not at liberty to say anything. He said 'that is right, now come and see me before you leave.' Just then the Manager of the Chicago World came in and I was introduced to him. I then went to the room at 119 5th. Ave. at 5.15 P. M.,saw Mr. McGinn had consultation with him. I committed to state that Arthur said in regard to Federation between Engineer & Firemen; 'Since I met S. P. Sargent I am in favor of Federation,that the Engineers and

Firemen to unite, also all trainmen, so when we want to strike we can do so with success, not that I am in favor of strikes, but when we are in the right, then we can go and ask for a settlement from the General Managers and they will know we mean business.

The reason why I objected to Federation before between Engineers and Firemen was because I never met an honest man like Sargent as you areall aware; all the Grand Masters before S. P. Sargent were dishonest and now I am ready to federate with the firemen.

Sunday, August 12th., 1888

In conversation with Hoge, he said; ' I am going to move my Office to Denver so we can work our plans better. Now, when you go back east you can tell the boys that I had nothing to do with the dynamite; I wordered them out of my room. I tried to conduct this strike honestly and fair and with no violence to the 'Q' system, but if I had my own way and Arthur and Sargent had not played themselves in the Company's hands. we would have won this strike. Yes, of course we are beaten and the only way we could have won this strike was to Boycott the 'Q' The Committee will wait on Mr. Stone to-morrow, if he is town, but it will not amount to anything, as the 'Q' boys will not besatisfied and they want to fight it out; we have a scheme on hand that no one is aware of and when we move to Denver, you boys out East will hear of something.'

In conversation with Thomas and Kennedy, the firemen, he said, 'The Committee who willwait on Mr. Stone to-morrow, will not come to any agreement, I am in for a boycott last and all the time.' Kennedy then said; 'Arthur and Sargent made a deal and we all know it, but we are keeping quiet for a few days, but remember, we are not dead yet.' In conversation with Hurley, Hoge's Assistant, he said; 'I

am hired by the Brotherhood as a detective to work up Bowles and Kelly affairs and this week I am going West to investigate matter. Sullivan is our Attorney. Now, no one knows what I am doing only Hoge, Bauereisan and Hanrahan and I tell you I am getting these facts down fine about Bowles and Kelly.' I said now, don't you trust any of your own Engineers and what you do keep it to yourself. He said he had a good experience since the strike whom to trust. He also said Murphy has resigned and Lacy has been appointed in his place.

At 3 P. M. Hurley and I went to Englewood to J. J. Hanrahan's house, found him in and he said to Hurley; 'Ed, there is a man you can trust. I have just come from New York and your wife and the boys told me you were sick and you were out west; now, I want you to make your home here and stay with me until you are better. He then called his wife and introduced me to her, saying this is ------ No.2. whose wife we saw in New York and told us her husband was here for his health.

In course of conversation, Hanrahan said, 'If the Committee have changed their quarters and are going to Denver, look out for war, as I know the firemen will not give up this fight until H. B. Stone gives in to the boys, as I understand it the 'Q' boys west of Chicago will have better opportunities to fight in Denver that they will have in Chicago.' Hurley said, 'you have that fine and you will see trouble before long.'

Before I could leave Hanrahan he made me promise to meet him at the National Hotel to-morrow at 11 A. M and offered to get me a position on the Rock Island if I wanted to stay West. He then said Senator Mills has promised me to be here on the 27th. of this month to speak to the Railroad boys and I will see about getting the Turner Hall for the occasion.

Hurley said, 'Hoge and Thomas are satisfied that Arthur and Sargent have done some dirty work and I am afraid trouble is not far ahead for the 'Q' system.

At 7.50 P. M. Hurley and I came back to our room.

Yours respectfully,

K.B.

Chicago, August 1[illegible], 19[illegible]

Dear Sir:--

Following you will please find report of Operative No. .

Saturday, August 11th., 19[illegible]

To-day in Chicago

I arrived in [illegible] with Green, Bolster, Lou and Jamison at 7.30 A. M. I could not shake the boys easily until 10 A. M. I then sent a message to Asst. Supt. J. J. M., to meet me at the Briggs House, then we met at 119 5th. Ave. After consultation I met Burley, Assistant to Hogg while he is away at the National Hotel. In conversation he said; 'Mapahan will be here to-morrow and I have heard so much about you through J. J. Mapahan, I am sure he would like to meet you; here is a telegram I just received from him.' It read as follows: 'Meet me at Englewood, I have something important to tell you.' He then said, 'you are not in a hurry to go away, remain with us a few days.' I said, 'I have to go to Texas, also to Muskegon to see some of my folks before I return home.' He then asked me how the meeting had turned out, I said Hogg will explain all that to you, I am not at liberty to say anything. He said 'that is right, now come and see me before you leave.' Just then the Manager of the Chicago World came in and I was introduced to him. I then went to the room at 119 5th. Ave. at [illegible] P. M., and Mr. P. Ginn had consultation with him. I committed to state that Arthur was in favor to Federation between Engineer & Firemen; 'Since I met J. J. Sargent I am in favor of federation, that the Engineers and

Firemen to unite, also all trainmen, so when we want to strike we can do so with success, not that I am in favor of strikes, but when we are in the right, then we can go and ask for a settlement from the General Managers and they will know we mean business.

The reason why I objected to Federation before between Engineers and Firemen was because I never met an honest man like Sargent as you would aware; all the Grand Masters before B. P. Sargent were dishonest and now I am ready to federate with the Firemen.

Sunday, August 12th., 1888

In conversation with Hogg, he said; 'I am going to move my office to Denver so we can work our plans better. Now, when you go back east you can tell the boys that I had nothing to do with the dynamite; I ordered them out of my room. I tried to conduct this strike honestly and fair and with no violence to the 'D' system, but if I had my own way and Arthur and Sargent had not played themselves in the Company's hands, we would have won this strike. Yes, of course we are beaten and the only way we could have won this strike was to boycott the 'D'. The Committee will wait on Mr. Stone to-morrow, if he is there, but it will not amount to anything, as the 'D' boys will not be satisfied and they want to fight it out; we have a scheme on hand that we only is aware of and when we move to Denver, you boys out East will hear of something.'

In conversation with Thomas and Kennedy, the Firemen, he said, 'The Committee who willwait on Mr. Stone to-morrow, will not come to any agreement, I am in for a boycott first and all the time.' Kennedy then said; 'Arthur and Sargent made a deal and we all know it, but we are keeping quiet for a few days, but remember, we are not dead yet.' In conversation with Hurley, Hoge's Assistant, he said; 'I

...n hired by the Brotherhood as a detective to work up ...owles and ... affairs and this week I am going West to investigate matter. ...Sullivan is our Attorney. Now, ... one knows what I am doing only ...own, Mahercisan and Hanrahan and I tell you I am getting these facts ...own fine about Bowles and Kelly.' I said now, don't you trust ...ny of your own Engineers and what you do keep it to yourself. He ...said he a good experience since the strike whom to trust. He also ...said Murphy had resigned and Lacy has been appointed in his place.

At 5 P. M. Hurley and I went to Englewood to J. J. Hanrahan's house, found him in and he said to Hurley; 'No, there is a man you can trust. I have just come from New York and your wife and the boys told me you were sick and you were out west; no, I want you to take your home here and stay with me until you are better. He then called his wife and introduced me to her, saying this is ------ No.1. Woman next we saw in New York and told us her husband was here for his health.

In course of conversation, Hanrahan said, 'If the Committee have ...ordered their posters and are going to Denver, look out for war, as I know the Railroads will not give up this fight until P. M. Stone ...gives in to the boys, as I understand it the 'Boys west of Chicago will have better opportunities to fight in Denver that they will have in Chicago.' Hurley said, 'you have that fine and you will see trouble before long.'

Before I could leave Hanrahan he made me promise to meet him at the National Hotel to-morrow at 11 A. M. and offered to get me a position on the Rock Island if I wanted to stay West. He then said Senator Mills has promised me to be here on the 17th. of this month to speak to the Railroad boys and I will see about getting the Turner Hall for the occasion.

Hurley said, "They and Thomas are satisfied that Arthur (illegible) to have seen our work and I am afraid because we did not fit them for the 'O' system.

At 7.00 P.M. Hurley and I came back to our room.

Yours respectfully,

C.S.

Chicago, August 1 th.,1933

[illegible] Sir:--

Following you will please find report of Operative No. 2

Saturday, August 11th.,1933

[illegible] in St. Louis

The following Chairman were present:

[illegible] L. Howe, J. A. Quacrelsen, A. J. Yon, M. Connors, W. S. Green, [illegible] Holster, J. H. Murphy, P. Clark, V. Dillon, S. E. Hopkins, J. M. Fitzgerald, C. W. Vedder, J. H. Pilkington, R. Chase, H. [illegible] Devlin, M. W. [illegible], John Boughan, L. S. Riggs, E. P. McDonald, M. L. Boxler, F. B. [illegible] Fuller, L. M. Howe, [illegible] F. Gould, H. R. Green, A. W. Lovan, W. Huskey, J. T. Rice, J. Watson, J. P. Hayes, J. H. McAlexander, Wm. Mack, [illegible] Talbott, C. W. Salmons, C. E. Phelps, A. W. Kimball, V. R. Harvey, J. [illegible] Davidson, F. M. Dunne, James Farley, C. Kennedy, C. B. Dean, J. [illegible] Welsh, C. [illegible] us, Chas. Priebe, R. Lacy, Wilson Somerville, [illegible] P. [illegible] [illegible] No. 2

A conversation with [illegible] ief Engineer of Division 79, he said; "If we had known what we done with the strike, you would be [illegible] and if all of us strikers had out just does we would all be in State's Prison. Some of the 'scabs' we knocked out went away with one ear and some without a nose, others with broken arms and legs. We [illegible] knocking them out, well we done so, and as I said, if we had known we would all be in the Penitentiary."

In conversation with A. J. Lou, Chairman of the Advisory Board of the "Q" system, he said; " if it had not been for me, the brotherhood would have been to h--- and I saved it by a scheme; Hoge tried to bring me into the scheme he had, but I saw through it and I beat him at his own game. I tell you, Hoge was not to be trusted and he is not to be trusted at the present time, and I know it. I had it arranged with my men on the Eickel Plate road that they should not strike unless they got orders from me and my name signed to it and that where the trouble is between Garrent and I and the Switchmen accuse me of betraying them, but I tell you if I had not have been the Chairman of that Committee and acted the way I did, every road would have been tied up and I know what I was doing when I adjourned the meeting of the Committee of the Advisory Board. Then Hoge and Donham came to me and wanted to know what in h--- I was doing by not ordering my men out and I told them it was uncalled for and so it was. Arthur and I had a consultation together and we knew the radical element were going to ruin us, if we were going to let them have their own way. Yes, Hoge and several others are scared out of their boots to-day and I will give them credit for trying to make a settlement with the "Q" Officials; let them call a meeting in Kansas or anywhere else, some of these kickers will find themselves in a bad fix. I am satisfied the "Q" boys will try and make trouble yet and they are not satisfied with out decision at St. Louis, but I will tell you, Mr. B. Stone will never give in and the boys are beat and they know it Mr. B. Stone is no fool.

This Committee who is going to see Mr. Stone may have an effect to settle the strike, but mark my words, Mr. Stone will settle it to

and himself and not otherwise.

Yours respectfully,

R. D.

New York, Aug. 19th, 1888.

Sir:-

Our informant No. 2 further reports as follows:

Tuesday Aug. 14th, 1888.

'To-day in Chicago. This morning I went to the National Hotel, where I met Hurley, Hoge, Hannahan, Conner, Thomas and Lacy. In conversation with Hoge he said, 'so far we are beaten and now it lays with the boys to put that boycott on or admit that we are beaten. There will be a secret meeting to-day amongst the committee and we have decided not to admit any one but the committee as we are going to take action about the committee going to Denver. You see when we get there we will be more at liberty to do as we please. I tell you the Q. boys are not satisfied with that St. Louis meeting, and as it was not official we can easily undo what was transacted there. Yes, I do really believe the boys will put a boycott on the road yet, as that is the only salvation left for us to do, unless Stone makes some proposition to the committee, who will wait on him as soon as he is back in town. No doubt some of the boys have used some dynamite but you can tell your boys that I was not mixed up in the dynamite business in any shape.'

In conversation with Conner, chairman of the committee, he said, 'I would like to have you attend our meeting this afternoon; it seems you are going home, and to let your boys know how we are getting along.'

It was then 2:50 p.m. and I said to Hoge and the boys, 'I must bid you all good bye now.' Hannahan said, 'your baggage is at Welsh's saloon and we will all go there for a drink before you go.' We went

there but could not find my baggage and Conner, Hurley and Hannahan took my hat and coat off of me, and I could not get them back until the train had gone. Hoge said, "we are only paying back what you boys did to me while I was in N.Y. You can wait until to-morrow. You are not in a hurry to get back. We will take you around and show you the city."

Conner said, "after the meeting I will join you boys, and we will have a good time."

Hurley said, "I want you to write to me and I will keep you posted of everything that is going on here." Thomas then bid me good bye as he was going home to Galburgh.

Hoge said, "if you want to stay here and want a job I will get all the engineers to sign your application, and you can get a first class train on the Rock Island road." I said, I would go home first then I would write to him about it. He continued, "you write to me in Denvel, Col., and anything I can do for you or any of the boys from Division 105 I will do so."

At 10:30 all the boys were getting intoxicated and I gave them the slip, got my satchel from the bartender and took the 11:30 p.m. train for N.Y.

Hurley said, "we think Brodick is crooked, and he is working for the Q. road, and he can stay in jail as long as he sees fit for what we care."

I arrived in New York at 4:00 p.m. of the 16th inst."

Yours Respectfully

Please return to
A. H. B. Stone under
personal cover

J. C. S.

Aug 27/88

(Personal)

Burlington, Iowa, Jan'y 23, 1889.

H. B. Stone, Esq.,

Vice-President, Chicago.

Dear Sir:

In straightening up Mr. Perkins' papers, I found the enclosed, and send it to you as per Mr. Peasley's mem. attached.

(Enc.)

Yours respectfully,

H. E. Jarvis

New York, Nov. 2, 1909.

Sir:-

An informant No.9 furnishes results as follows:

[illegible], N. Y., [illegible].

"To-day, in conversation with M.J.Grimes, of Grimes Bros., he said, 'I am in Baltimore, Md., and for a. of 2. we are not only for Wilson and the Democratic candidates, but they are willing to modify or make concessions, but just now [illegible] on the part. Governor [illegible] is [illegible] to not be entirely sure in favor of whichever a segregate. Governor is of opinion[illegible], that., as in favor of segregate. Governor has, i. .omitted the Mayor [illegible] to not make a segregate, as they will not pay any consideration: they have [illegible] and stand [illegible]."

In conversation with D.'Connors, employed on 2nd Avenue "L" road and one of the guardians, he said, "[illegible] I would [illegible] to put [illegible] on the L. road; if not put in., they [illegible] of L. .,he is not [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] on a strike of the m.n [illegible] I [illegible] other [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] will be a different [illegible], you [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] a segregate. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

steamer [illegible] . . . . . We also felt as we [illegible] you (Admiral Sir Lionel) if [illegible] but point out [illegible] you [illegible] it would be more of [illegible] there, so [illegible] you [illegible] given. We have kept [illegible] of the U. [illegible] by [illegible] possible [illegible]."

In connection with U. . . . , Admiral on [illegible] "I [illegible] said, " [illegible] U. is but we are [illegible] on the "I". We are not [illegible] [illegible] by the [illegible] Germans by [illegible] officers."

Yours [illegible],